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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...that big tax increase in LB 1085 means to people? If you read the newspaper this morning, if you're a family and you have income of \$25,000, the tax increase in LB 1085 will cost you \$15.19, \$15.19. If you have \$50,000 worth of income, \$40.20 in income tax. You made \$50,000 and we're asking you to pay \$40.20 more in income tax. If you made \$100,000, we'll ask you to pay another \$118. If you're a family of four with \$60,000 in income, we would ask you to pay \$55 more.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Kristensen, members of the Legislature, I support the package. The question, of course, is whether we cut or whether the cuts are too damaging to our society and that the better course is to stabilize our financial situation and then to move forward very slowly and very cautiously. The judgment of the committee is to stabilize the situation, not to make drastic cuts. I think that that also is the honest opinion of your Governor, notwithstanding this late recommendation for another \$94 million in cuts. So what I'm trying to say is that the judgment of people who have looked closest at it, whether it's in the executive branch or in the legislative branch, the judgment has been that the cuts are too damaging. Ah, but you say, the Governor is recommending the cuts. Let's go back and look at what the Governor recommended and where the Governor and the committee were one month ago. One month ago the committee sat through long processes and made our cuts reacting to the Governor's budget. And when we were done, there was \$16 million between what the Governor recommended that we cut and what we cut, \$16 million. And what happened since? Well, at that time the Governor was recommending \$23 million in revenue raising surcharges, business incentives. And at that time the Governor was recommending a 50 cent cigarette tax revenue raising up to the neighborhood there of \$66 million. So the Governor's judgment one month ago was that we should not do all this cutting, that it was too damaging. And he recommended to us that we raise revenue by \$66 million. So the Governor, because of your judgments, didn't get exactly the form, the form of revenue raising that he wanted, so he turns around, rejects all revenue raising and